

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION
AUGUST 4, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly work session on Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Donnie Daniels, EMA Director informed the Board of a Public Safety Day to be held on September 17th from 10:00 am until around 2:00 pm in the Ace Hardware parking lot. Mr. Daniels has learned that the body of the rescue truck will not fit on the new chase and the Commissioner could add a new truck to the EMA / Sheriff's Office grant. Mr. Daniels told the Board the nuisance ordinance needs to be revised to include farm animals and livestock.

Joe Filippone, Director of Economic Development told the Board the 'Welcome to Montgomery County' signs at the County entrances on the state highways needs to be replaced. He has a quote from Lee Signs for 4 signs to cost around \$6,000.00. Mr. Filippone told the Board there needs to be two signs on Commerce Loop at the business park with the names of the business located there on the sign. These signs will cost around \$2,300.00. Mr. Filippone asked the Board to pay for one half the cost of the signs.

Public Works Director Milton Fountain told the Board the leak on the courthouse roof may have been found. The silicone has been placed in that area of the roof. The recreation ball fields are dry so the drainage is working. The tax commissioner's office needs new carpet. The county agent's office has requested the office be repainted and the carpet removed.

Mr. Fountain reviewed the County's DOT bridge and cross culvert report. Mr. Fountain told the Board the road department could repair some of the repairs required but would have to contract out what they could not repair. The boom mower ran until 4:15 today then the swing stopped working. Mr. Fountain had quotes from Flint, Yancey and Mower Max on a new boom mower.

The new grader is in Macon. The 6130 is at Lasseter for repair.

The speed limit signs and posts have been picked up. The Board needs to decide who is going to put the signs up.

The Board reviewed a quote from Hofstadter & Associates on soliciting bids to perform full depth reclamation and asphalt resurfacing on Fire Tower Road.

The Board reviewed the August 8, 2022 agenda.

The Board reviewed the proposed 2023 budget.

The work session ended at 8:00 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Morris led the invocation, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The agenda was amended to move the County Agent's business to New Business on a motion by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Kenney.

The minutes from the July 14, 2022 work session were approved on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the July 18, 2022 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Williamson. Motion carried unanimously.

Appearing before the Board was Michele Johnson from the Greater Vidalia Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Johnson reported on the Chamber's upcoming activities.

Under reports, County Manager Brandon Braddy reported for Recreation Director Kendall Bennamon that registration for the fall sports was low and he has extended the registration deadline for another week. The registration fee was increased by \$5.00 to \$35.00 which is still the lowest fees for this area. Mr. Bennamon thanked County Works Director Milton Fountain for sending the inmate detail to work on the recreation facilities whenever he needs them. Mr. Bennamon will begin his Toombs-Montgomery Leadership classes this week.

County Work Director Milton Fountain reported the courthouse roof is still leaking. County Manager Brandon Braddy informed the Board the excess TIA funds will be dispersed in March or April 2023. The county could use these funds to purchase a new mower tractor.

The Board reviewed the financial report.

On a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Kenney the Board approved the Consent Agenda which consisted of approving the Public Defender Services Contract with the Oconee Judicial Circuit Office of the Public Defender. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, the Board adopted a resolution (Res. No 22-08-01) approving a Boat Ramp Operation and Maintenance Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

Under New Business, Cheryl Poppell, County Extension Coordinator, introduced Lauren Braddy Stanley to the Commissioners. Mrs. Braddy has applied and been approved by the University of Georgia to be the new County Agent for Montgomery County. On a motion by Commissioner

Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board agreed to hire Mrs. Lauren Braddy Stanley as the new UGA Montgomery County ANR/4-H Agent. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board authorized Hofstadter & Associates to proceed with solicitation of bids to perform full depth reclamation and asphalt resurfacing of Fire Tower Road. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board approved the notice and authorized advertisement to solicit applicants for the Montgomery County Board of Elections & Registration. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the notice and authorized the advertisement to solicit applicants for the position of Elections Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board approved the job description for the position of Elections Supervisor. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm on a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to approve a grant agreement from the Rural Development Office of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for a Community Facilities Project to purchase a mower head and mulching head for the Road Department and to purchase a Fire Services Tank Compressor System for the Fire Departments and to review the proposed 2023 Budget. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The Board held a zoom meeting with Karen Jameson from the Rural Development Office of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for a grant to purchase a mower head and mulching head for the Road Department and to purchase a Fire Services Tank Compressor System for the Fire Departments.

Commissioner Kenney made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Morris to adopt Community Facilities Grant Request Resolution (Res. No 22-08-02) to purchase a mower head and a mulching head the Road Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Morris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kenney to adopt a Community Facilities Grant Request Resolution (Res. No. 22-08-03) to purchase a Fire Services Breathing Tank System for the Fire Departments. Motion carried unanimously.

The following documents were signed:

Legal Services Agreement
Community Facilities Grant Request
1942-46 Letter of Intent to meet conditions
1942-C Compliance 504 Rehabilitation Act
1940-1 Obligations of funds
Certification Approval
1910-11 Certificate for Federal Policies
Compliance Certification
400-1 Equal Opportunity Employment
442-7 Operating Budget
400-4 Assurance Agreement for Civil Rights
1940-Q Certified Contracts
Current List of Officers

The Board reviewed the proposed 2023 Budget and set the dates for the public hearings on setting the 2022 millage rate:

September 1, 2022

10:00 am

6:00 pm

September 8, 2022

10:00 am

5:30 pm

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the proposed property tax increase on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 10:00 am. Members present were Chairman Leland Adams and County Manager Brandon Braddy.

County Manager Brandon Braddy reviewed the proposed 2023 Budget and explained why there was a need to increase the milage rate.

There was one citizen at the hearing.

The hearing ended at 10:30 am.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the proposed property tax increase on Thursday, September 1, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Members present were Chairman Leland Adams, Commissioner Chad Kenney and County Manager Brandon Braddy.

County Manager Brandon Braddy reviewed the proposed 2023 Budget and explained why there was a need to increase the milage rate.

There were two citizens at the hearing.

The hearing ended at 6:45 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the proposed property tax increase on Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 10:00 am. Members present were Leland Adams.

There were no citizens at the hearing.

The hearing ended at 10:45 am.